

Regulating Weights is Army and Navy Board's Hardest Job.

REGULATING weights and compelling champions to get on the scales for bouts where there is a question at stake is going to be no easy task for the Army, Navy and Civilian Board of Boxing Control. If the Walker Boxing Bill goes through with the sport conducted under the board's rules and regulations as the measure provides, the classifying of champions will be one big job. Of course, everybody knows who the champions are, but comparatively few are aware of their real weights.

For instance, who is sure that Johnny Kilbane can make 122 pounds and do himself justice in a real bout where defeat would mean the loss of his title?

Who outside of Billy Gibson and Benny Leonard actually knows whether Benny can make 133 or 135 pounds? The lightweight champion has been charged with being a welterweight. Maybe he isn't; in fact, Gibson insists he is a real lightweight and can do the regulation weight any time he is required to do so.

Is Jack Britton a genuine welterweight, or is he, at his best, a notch or two above the limit of the class of which he is the acknowledged leader?

Is Mike O'Dowd a 156-pound man, or would he prefer 160 or 162 against a worthy opponent?

HARDLY any one can answer these questions with a degree of accuracy, but the Army and Navy Board of Boxing Control proposes to answer them when the Walker bill becomes a law and clothes it with the legal authority.

At the present time, weights cut little figure in ring contests. Flyweights fight bantamweights, bantamweights take on featherweights, the latter mix up among the lightweights, and so on up the line to the heavies. Outside of Jimmy Wilde and Jack Dempsey, in their respective classes, it is hard to tell who's who and be sure of it in any division.

WHAT would the army of sport folk-ers in New York do for want of thrills these nights if it wasn't for Jack Curley, the wrestling impresario? Ever since the cold weather set in Curley has been busy himself in what seemed a herculean attempt to put wrestling back on the map. That he has succeeded goes without saying. Match after match has been staged, each with increasing interest, until now, or rather to-morrow night, at the Garden, he seems to have hit the high-water mark with a double bill, which should supply endless thrills. In matching Jim London, the Greek, against Ed "Strangler" Lewis, he arranged a bout that for action would be hard to equal. London showed he has the real goods by giving Champion Joe Stecher about the unpleasantest two hours and thirteen minutes he has experienced lately, and we all know Lewis and his deadly headlock. As if this wasn't enough for a single entertainment, Curley brings back the popular Earl Caddock in a tussle against Chevalier, the Frenchman, and winner of the A. E. F. tournament. In point of size and weight, at least, both these war heroes are well matched, and if grappling sensations are not in evidence at the Garden they never will be elsewhere.

A TYPOGRAPHICAL error in connection with what we wrote in this column about the Kilbane-Valger match last Thursday may say that Valger weighed 123½ pounds. As a matter of fact, Valger's weight was 124½, the fraction representing his overweight. If the mistake misled anyone we are sorry. Such things will happen at times.

## Umpires Too Take to the Road For Spring Training in South

"They Have Lot to Learn About New Rules," Says Heydler.

BILL Dineen, Billy Klem and Hart are among the traffic cops of the bases who are planning to hit the road with the big league teams in the South and give the fans in the sticks a glimpse of some real game running.

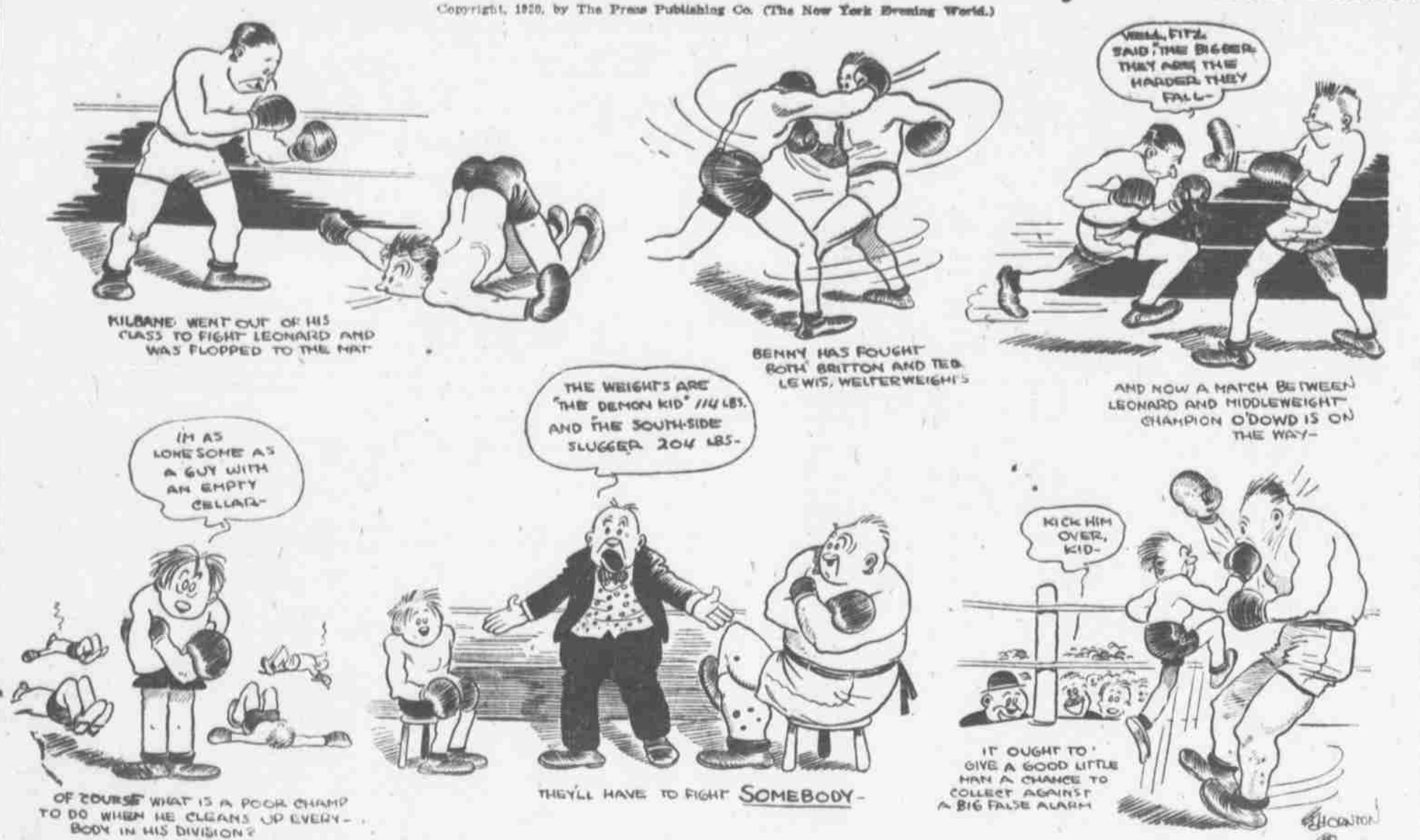
"The umpires have a lot to learn about the new rules," President Heydler said to-day. "The new pitching regulations barring crack deliveries call especially for vigilance and experienced judgement from the umpires. I have recommended that they train for the regular season by touring with the major league teams in their exhibition games. If they get some practical experience in enforcing the new rules and have a chance to explain them to the players, there should be no delay in the games early in the season."

Sam Johnson, President of the American League, is said to be in the favor of the training tour for the umpires.

# BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK

## WEIGHTS DON'T MEAN ANYTHING - - - By Thornton Fisher

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## Hagen and Smith Beat Barnes and Robertson

National Open Golf Champion Carries Burden of Match for His Team.

BEAUBAIR HEIGHTS, Fla., March 1.—Walter Hagen, national open golf champion, paired with Alex Smith of Wykagay, defeated Jim Barnes of St. Louis and Dave Robertson of Detroit by 2 and 1. Hagen carried the burden of the match for his team, Hagen and Smith started out by winning the first two holes, Hagen getting the second with a birdie three. He missed up the fourth by getting into a trap, but had plain sailing after this.

Barnes was not as steady as usual. Robertson brought the match to even terms by a birdie four on the ninth and a birdie three on the tenth, but missed a short putt on the twelfth and put his side one down again. The match ended on the seventeenth when Hagen sank a ten-footer for a three.

The best ball scores were: Hagen and Smith, 70; Barnes and Robertson, 71. Individual scores were: Hagen, 72; Smith, 77; Barnes, 73; Robertson, 76.

A considerable delegation of vacationists and golfers is expected to go to New Orleans Saturday for the Hagen-Barnes thirty-six hole match for \$1,500. This will be the first meeting of the two, unimpaired by other contestants, in more than a year and will take precedence over any match of the winter season. Both men, accompanied by Hutchinson and possibly McNamara, will go to England in May for the British open.

PENEBURST, N. C., March 1.—Over 300 contestants will take part in the thirty-six hole qualifying round which opens to-day. Two courses of the annual spring tournament, will be used for each of the two eighteen-hole courses.

George McLean, professional at the Great Neck Club; Emmet French of the Great Neck Club; Emmet French of the Great Neck Club.

comor to the intentional pass as a disposer of a dangerous batsman, according to Heydler.

"I have heard the fear expressed that the pitchers, deprived of the privilege of throwing four wide balls to the batter with the ease of former years, would resort to hitting the batter with the ball. I would hardly accuse any pitcher of making those kind of plans but to circumvent the possibility of any such policy I have written to all pitchers explaining the new rules to them and asking them to cooperate with the umpires in putting into effect new regulations that we believe are for the best interests and improvement of the national game."

Some of the new amendments, which may be confusing to the players and fans, until a working conception of their interpretation is obtained, are:

Run on from deliveries, except the "spitter," which has one more year to live.

Intentional pass, curbed by prohibiting catcher from leaving the box to receive a delivery.

A ball that hits the ball while the batsman is trying to avoid it is dead. Gift stolen bases not to be recorded.

All home runs to be recorded as such, and with the score tied in the ninth inning the batter to get credit with the number of bases the runner advances on his hit.

## McGowan Wins Skating Title

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 1.—Everett McGowan, the St. Paul ice skating champion, kept up the good work he started at Lake Placid recently when he romped home with the international skating title by winning the Northwestern Indoor Amateur Skating Association's championship here. He had a total of 90 points to his credit.

Joe Moore, the New York boy, representing Lake Placid, was tied with his team mate, Charles Jewtraw, for second place with 60 points each.

The St. Paul ice wizard garnered first place in the quarter mile, half mile and one mile events. In the two-mile race he was nosed out by Moore.

A new world's record was made in the quarter-mile race for women. This was won by Miss Rose Johnson of Chicago. She skated the distance in 45 seconds, breaking the old mark by two-fifths of a second.

## Herrmann Says He'll Not Trade

CINCINNATI, O., March 1.—There will be no trades involving the regulars of the Cincinnati National League baseball team, August Herrmann, President of the club, said to-day. The Cincinnati Reds, made this declaration when told yesterday of a new York dispatch stating that John McGraw, Manager of the Giants, had offered to exchange "Pop" Young for Eddie Roush and Larry Kopf.

"There is not one word of truth in any report that Roush, Kopf or any of our regular players are going to be traded to New York or any other club," said Mr. Herrmann. "That McGraw intends to stand pat on his winning team. We hope to have all the boys signed up and ready to leave for the training camp on Friday morning. But whether they are signed or not, there will be no trades."

McGraw will be in Cincinnati Tuesday and will accompany the team to Miami on Friday.

## PLAN BIG ATHLETIC MEET FOR MEMORIAL

A diamond medal athletic meet will be staged by the 16th Infantry, New York Guard, at the armory of the 22d Engineers, 16th Street and Broadway, on Monday, March 15. The funds derived from this meet will be used for the purpose of erecting a memorial to perpetuate the memory of the members of the old 16th Infantry, N. G. N. Y. (369th Infantry, U. S. A.), who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War.

## LIVE WIRES

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Shamrock IV, might have been better on fire than on water at that.

As we understand the Valger-Kilbane fight, the featherweight champion laid down like a feather-bed champ.

Now a question of whether Dempsey or his movies will be released first.

If Ping plays right field for the Yanks, he'll certainly be a busy Bodie.

Mask is the only article of a robber's make-up that the umpires will wear this season.

WILSON SHAVES HIMSELF EVERY MORNING, BUT NOT WITH THE HOUSE GILLET.

That Princeton-Yale boxing tournament will give the Yale boys a chance to wear the college colors on their eye.

Stanislav Zhyzsko has started wrestling and the Pole vault should soon be filled.

Guy got short-weighted in a sporting goods store. Clerk gave him six ounces gloves when he asked for half-pound mitts.

Colleges will award gold medals to the winners of the intercollegiate airplane contests. Guys that drop out of the race will be awarded wooden boxes with silver handles.

ONE THING ABOUT A FLYING RACE, THOUGH—A GUY CAN FINISH ANY TIME HE WANTS TO.

## 4,000 Basketball Enthusiasts See Celtics Win Their 61st Game

New York Quintet Defeats Bridgeport Five By 36 to 22 Score.

Original Celtics, New York's leading basketball team, ran their record up to thirty-one when they defeated the Bridgeport Five of Connecticut at Central Opera House, 26 to 22. The Celtics started the game with a rush and were first to score. They were never headed. A record crowd of 4,000 enthusiastic fans witnessed the game and the clever playing of both sides gave the crowd opportunity for some great rooting.

Celtic's line-up included O. Reich, M. C. Little, J. Whitney, J. Barry, O. White, Smolick, J. Tripp. These six lads have composed the team which has beaten nearly every representative five in Greater New York. Some of their victims include Van and Schenck, Anania, New Jersey, Paterson, Newark and Scranton. A strong out-of-town five has been engaged by manager Tom Furey for next Sunday's contest.

Holy Name Five defeated the Parsons in a return game at Manhattan Casino by 23 to 12 score. The first half ended 11 to 6 in Holy Name's favor. For the winners Miller and Tibbels played sensational basketball, while Schenck made a creditable showing for the Parsons.

Jordan's quintet, composed of Johnny Beckman from the Eastern League, Butler, Camp and Scholten of the Parsons and Nally of New York Celtics will meet Jumbo Five Sunday afternoon, March 7, at Bryant Hall. The Jordans will use this hall as its home courts from now on and would like to hear from original Celtics, Macdonald, Lyceum, Veronica Separates, Lyons Quintet and teams of like strength. Frank McCormack is looking manager.

Manhattan All Stars have several open dates for light weight boxing. Address Joe Graded, No. 135 Avenue 17, City.

Pittsburgh at Washington and Jefferson is the only college game scheduled for this evening. To-morrow night's games will bring together Earl from Ted Lewis of England, who took the count in the ninth round.

## Champion Edwards Gets \$4,370 For First Fight in the U. S. A.

Mitchell, Who Stopped Him in Seven Rounds, Receives \$5,244—Receipts, \$18,400.

By John Pollock.

Low Edwards, the legitimate lightweight champion of Australia, who was knocked out in seven rounds by Ritchie Mitchell in his first fight in this country at the Casino City A. C. of Milwaukee last night, received \$4,370 for his end. The fight drew a big crowd, there being \$13,098 taken in at the door. After the state tax of 5 per cent, was first deducted, Edwards received 25 per cent, of \$17,450 and Mitchell 25 per cent, which made his end \$5,244.

It is almost a new thing that Ritchie Mitchell, the legitimate light-weight champion, has been stopped by an underdog, as he was in the seventh round of the fight at the Casino City A. C. of Milwaukee last night. The fight drew a big crowd, there being \$13,098 taken in at the door. After the state tax of 5 per cent, was first deducted, Edwards received 25 per cent, of \$17,450 and Mitchell 25 per cent, which made his end \$5,244.

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## Six-Day Stars Arrive To-Day

Six of Europe's greatest cycling stars will arrive to-day on the Carmania to enter the six-day race, which starts one minute after midnight next Sunday in Madison Square Garden. The men who are expected are Brocco, Spelsens, Buysse, Dupuy, Deruyter and Godivier. The last named pair will ride as a team in the race, and in Europe each is considered to be the equal of Oscar Egg.

The Newark Velodrome is in fit shape for the riders to work on, the American stars having finished their job of clearing the snow off the wooden saucer. The entire floor entered in the race will be in better condition for the long grind than ever before and many surprises are looked for during the race. The added \$1,000 for a stolen lap is expected to cause no end of "jamming" for the coveted prize and some desperate racing is looked for.

Three \$1,000 matches have been arranged for the feature attractions on the sprint card to take place next Saturday night preceding the start of the six-day race.

## Guard Revives Athletic League

The New York State Military Athletic League, which has been inactive since 1911, was revived at a meeting held in the 1st Field Artillery Armory, 68th Street and Broadway, yesterday.

Commanding officers of almost a dozen National Guard units in the State were present, and, judging by the plans as outlined, the older association will be an active organization as in former years.

It was unanimously voted to conduct all forms of sport and take id championship tournaments in whatever sport deemed advisable.

The commanding officers of all the National Guard units in the State were elected to membership on the Board of Directors, and this body will hold its first meeting within the next two weeks.

Another meeting of the delegates will be held on next Sunday morning in the 1st Field Artillery Armory, at which time an athletic committee will be appointed to definitely lay out the plans of the organization's activities.

## Giants Now on Last Leg Of Their Long Journey To Texas Training Camp

McGraw to Put Men Through First Light Training To-Morrow Afternoon.

ST. LOUIS, March 1.

THE Giants are now on the last leg of their journey to their training camp.

The players picked up here were: "Lefty" Williams, the catcher; Arthur Nehf, McGraw's \$40,000 southpaw; Lee King, the outfielder; Ed Sicking, who played part of last season with the Phillies; J. C. Garton and H. E. Meyer, two recruit pitchers, and Harry Bates, an infielder from the Pittsburgh Club of the Eastern League. Ed Mackal, trainer of the team, was also present.

The entire squad of New York players, including John McGraw, will mobilize in the Menger Hotel in San Antonio to-morrow morning. McGraw will begin his daily training season with a light workout in the afternoon. Benjamin Kauff and Joseph Barnes, the right-hand pitcher who won twenty-five games for the Giants last season, are down to weight and anxious to start tossing the ball around.

The players now en route to training camp were somewhat surprised when they learned of the proposed trade of "Pop" Young, the outfielder of the Giants, for Eddie Roush and Larry Kopf of the Cincinnati Reds. If the deal is eventually consummated, it means the passing of Larry Doyle as a regular member of the team. Larry is getting along in years and has slowed up considerably in the last two seasons.

With Roush and Kopf as members of the team McGraw will most likely start the season with a new base. Kopf, a second baseman at short and third base, is the Fordham boy, at third base. This would give the Giants a young infield, and one that is not around.

Virgil Barnes, young brother of Jesse, and also a right hand pitcher, was actually in the Menger Hotel in San Antonio to-morrow morning. The young Barnes was a member of the 15th Infantry and fought in the Argonne and several other big battles. He was both kassed and shell shocked.

Last season in Pittsburgh while the Giants were playing the Pirates a crew of laborers were blasting nearly nine miles of the Allegheny River. The younger Barnes through the top of the dugout.

The Giants will remain in San Antonio three weeks and then start on an exhibition tour with the Boston Red Sox. Twenty-one games will be played with the former world's champions.

## Eleven Robins Now At Jacksonville Camp.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 1.—Eleven members of the Robins reported for spring training here yesterday afternoon and more are due to arrive to-day. The players in the Brooklyn camp are Pitchers Mamaux, Mitchell, Heintz, Mahan, Conlon and Mijus; Infielders Ward, Olsen and Kludoff; and Catchers Beyer and Krueger. Ward, Mitchell, Mamaux and Heintz arrived from New York yesterday morning, and instead of landing under bright Southern sunshine they were greeted by heavy rains.

Manager Wilbert Robinson and Ruben Martini are scheduled to make their appearance early to-day. They are on their way from Dover, N. J.

## Advance Guard of Yankees on the Job.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 1.—The advance guard of the Yankees, which left New York Saturday afternoon, arrived here late last night. In the party were Ruth, McGraw, Thormahlen, Bodie, DeVitalis, Smallwood, L. D. Murphy, Colson, Shawkey, Pratt, Fawcett, Blumhild, Scout Kelley and Trainer Woods. Players McGraw, Chatter Murphy and Ward arrived here earlier in the day, all three coming direct from their homes.

## Braves Start For Southern Training Camp.

BOSTON, March 1.—Two members of the Boston National League baseball team, Horace Ford and Cy Morgan, started yesterday for the Braves southern training grounds at Columbus, Ga., in company with Walter B. Haggood, the team's business manager, and several newspaper men.

Gaylord joined the party at Providence, R. I., and Walter Maraville, the star shortstop, boarded the train at New Haven. Other members of the team were to be picked up in New York and Washington.

## WRESTLING STARS ARE DUE TO ARRIVE HERE TO-DAY.

All the wrestlers who will participate in the wrestling "double header" to-morrow night in Madison Square Garden are in town this morning. Earl Caddock is en route from Sioux City; "Strangler" Lewis is coming from the South; Salvador Chevalier is heading from Montreal and Jim London will arrive from Detroit.

The result of to-morrow's struggles means the elimination of two of the participants from consideration as contenders for the world's championship. Caddock is keen for a return match with Stecher, as he claims he wasn't really at his best. The French champion has been in the fight in his favor, two advantages that count heavily in a struggle of this kind.

## BOXING PART OF YALE'S TRAINING FOR FOOTBALL.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 1.—Elementary football practice begins at Yale to-day, the earliest date for this sport in the records of the college. The squad of eighty or more will work on the gymnasium under Capt. Callahan and Trainer John Mack and boxing will be a part of the daily drill. Men will drop off to go into spring sports. When a field is available boxing and football kicking will be practiced. The fall practice will begin Sept. 10.

## Wrestlers' Win Here.

WATERBURY, Conn., March 1.—At the Phoenix A. C. Spider Roach of California knocked out Red Allen of Bridgeport in the third round of a twelve-round bout with a right hand punch to the jaw for the full count. In the semi-final Spider Frankie Jerome of New York reversed the order of the decision over Corona Kid of Long Island.

## 6 DAY BIKE RACE

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